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All Local Health Departments Attn: Chief Food Specialist

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FROM:

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Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

House of Flavors Expanded-Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Peanut Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via

phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in Indiana. House of Flavor products are sold at retail and through food service accounts nationwide. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

House of Flavors Adds Products to Voluntary Nationwide Recall Due to Possible Health Risk Related to Expanded Peanut Recall by PCA

Contact:

Tom Watkins 231-845-7369 x 2229

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- Ludington, Michigan (February 27, 2009) – House of Flavors Ice Cream Company has announced an update to its voluntary nationwide recall of select ice cream products containing peanuts. House of Flavors is taking these new measures following an announcement by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that it is expanding its investigation of alleged salmonella contamination in peanut ingredient supplier Peanut Corporation of America (PCA) to include products from its Plainview, Texas plant. Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

The following House of Flavor products are sold at retail and through food service accounts nationwide, and are now being added to the voluntary recall:

UPC			
Code	Item	Size	Code Dates



15400-						
22181	Shurfine Premium Select Candy Bar Swirl	1.75 QT.	08137	08238	08278	08289
77619-						
51333	House of Flavors Candy Bar Whirl	1/2 GAL.	08233			
77619-						
30106	Welsh Farms Snickers	24 FL. OZ.	08230			
77619-						
01421	House of Flavors Snickers	3 GAL.	08039	08141	08215	08222
77619-						
04313	Premium Candy Factory	3 GAL.	08118			

No other House of Flavors products are impacted by the recall as they do not contain any peanut butter, peanut paste or whole peanut products produced by PCA. **House of Flavors has not received any consumer illness complaints associated with its products.** Although none of House of Flavors products has been associated with any consumer illness complaints, the company is voluntarily removing all potentially impacted products from retail store shelves and the entire distribution system.

Consumers who have purchased the recalled products should return them to the store where they were purchased for a full refund. Food service accounts who have purchased recalled products in three-gallon containers should return them to the distributor where they were purchased for a full refund. Anyone requiring more information should contact House of Flavors consumer affairs at 1-800-930-7740 x 2229, M-F from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST.

For more information on Salmonella, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Website at http://www.cdc.gov.

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